

Washington State
Youth Tobacco Telephone Survey
Ages 10-17
Year 2000-01

Youth Characteristics by Age:	10-13 Years Old [95% C.I.] n = 963	14-17 Years Old [95% C.I.] n = 1014
Gender		
Female	48.1 % [44.1 , 52.1]	51.1 % [47.1 , 55.0]
Male	51.9 % [47.9 , 55.9]	48.9 % [45.0 , 52.9]
Grade		
4th - 8th	99.2 % [98.3 , 99.6]	9.2 % [7.1 , 11.9]
9th - 12th	0.8 % [0.4 , 1.7]	90.8 % [88.1 , 92.9]
Average weekly spending money	\$8.49 [7.6 , 9.4]	\$25.81 [23.7 , 27.9]
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Youth Survey Responses by Age:	10-13 Years Old [95% C.I.]	14-17 Years Old [95% C.I.]
Current Tobacco Use (Any type)		
Current User	2.8 % [1.6 , 5.0]	12.4 % [10.2 , 15.0]
Non-tobacco User	97.2 % [95.0 , 98.4]	87.6 % [85.0 , 89.8]
Lifetime Cigarette Smoking (Ever smoked at least one cigarette)		
Yes	10.0 % [7.8 , 12.9]	37.1 % [33.4 , 40.9]
No	90.0 % [87.1 , 92.2]	62.9 % [59.1 , 66.6]
During the past 7 days, days that someone smoked inside your home		
Some days or Every day	18.2 % [15.3 , 21.5]	18.7 % [15.9 , 21.8]
None	81.8 % [78.5 , 84.7]	81.3 % [78.2 , 84.1]
Influences against tobacco use: Parents		
A lot or Some	82.9 % [79.4 , 85.8]	69.6 % [66.0 , 73.0]
Little or None	17.1 % [14.2 , 20.6]	30.4 % [27.0 , 34.0]
Influences against tobacco use: Avoid future health problems		
A lot or Some	86.7 % [83.5 , 89.3]	88.1 % [85.3 , 90.4]
Little or None	13.3 % [10.7 , 16.5]	11.9 % [9.6 , 14.7]
Influences against tobacco use: Getting caught/going to court		
A lot or Some	71.3 % [66.4 , 75.8]	54.1 % [49.0 , 59.0]
Little or None	28.7 % [24.2 , 33.6]	45.9 % [41.0 , 51.0]

	10-13 Years Old [95% C.I.]	14-17 Years Old [95% C.I.]
Influences against tobacco use: Anti-tobacco clubs/ groups		
A lot or Some	50.4 % [44.9 , 55.8]	25.4 % [21.1 , 30.3]
Little or None	49.6 % [44.2 , 55.1]	74.6 % [69.7 , 78.9]
Influences against tobacco use: Tobacco is expensive		
A lot or Some	36.5 % [31.4 , 42.0]	24.1 % [20.1 , 28.6]
Little or None	63.5 % [58.0 , 68.6]	75.9 % [71.4 , 79.9]
Influences against tobacco use: Don't want to be addicted		
A lot or Some	84.6 % [81.3 , 87.5]	76.5 % [73.2 , 79.6]
Little or None	15.4 % [12.5 , 18.7]	23.5 % [20.4 , 26.8]
Influences against tobacco use: Setting a bad example for younger kids (Among high school aged youth)		
A lot or Some	* % [* , *]	69.9 % [66.2 , 73.3]
Little or None	* % [* , *]	30.1 % [26.7 , 33.8]
Influences against tobacco use: Friends think tobacco use is "uncool"		
A lot or Some	72.5 % [68.7 , 76.1]	50.2 % [46.3 , 54.2]
Little or None	27.5 % [23.9 , 31.3]	49.8 % [45.8 , 53.7]
Influences against tobacco use: Worried about current health		
A lot or Some	82.5 % [79.2 , 85.3]	77.6 % [74.2 , 80.7]
Little or None	17.5 % [14.7 , 20.8]	22.4 % [19.3 , 25.8]
Influences against tobacco use: Don't want to support tobacco industries		
A lot or Some	76.1 % [72.3 , 79.5]	66.1 % [62.2 , 69.7]
Little or None	23.9 % [20.5 , 27.7]	33.9 % [30.3 , 37.8]
Influences against tobacco use: Don't want to expose others to secondhand smoke		
A lot or Some	76.0 % [71.1 , 80.3]	56.9 % [51.8 , 61.9]
Little or None	24.0 % [19.7 , 28.9]	43.1 % [38.1 , 48.2]
"If one of your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it?" (Youth responding any way except "definitely not" are considered vulnerable)		
Possibly	12.4 % [9.1 , 16.7]	27.0 % [22.2 , 32.4]
Definitely not	87.6 % [83.3 , 90.9]	73.0 % [67.6 , 77.8]
"Do you think teens who smoke are..."		
Somewhat or Very popular	24.2 % [19.8 , 29.2]	47.9 % [42.3 , 53.5]
Somewhat or Very unpopular	75.8 % [70.8 , 80.2]	52.1 % [46.5 , 57.7]

	10-13 Years Old [95% C.I.]	14-17 Years Old [95% C.I.]
"How risky do you think it is for someone your age to use tobacco?"		
Very risky	89.9 % [86.3 , 92.6]	69.9 % [65.1 , 74.4]
Somewhat, Not very, or Not at all	10.1 % [7.4 , 13.7]	30.1 % [25.6 , 34.9]
"How harmful do you think it is for someone your age to smoke 1 to 5 cigarettes per day?"		
Very harmful	87.8 % [84.5 , 90.5]	74.2 % [70.6 , 77.4]
Somewhat, Not very, or Not at all	12.2 % [9.5 , 15.5]	25.8 % [22.6 , 29.4]
"There are so many things that cause cancer, tobacco use is not going to make any difference."		
Somewhat or Strongly agree	19.4 % [16.3 , 23.0]	13.1 % [10.8 , 15.9]
Somewhat or Strongly disagree	80.6 % [77.0 , 83.7]	86.9 % [84.1 , 89.2]
"In general, what percentage of people your age smoke cigarettes, in your opinion?"		
	20.1 % [18.0 , 22.2]	41.5 % [39.7 , 43.4]
"In general, what percentage of people your age use smokeless tobacco, in your opinion?"		
	9.2 % [8.0 , 10.4]	20.2 % [18.5 , 21.9]
"Tobacco companies should have the same rights to advertise their products as other companies."		
Probably or Definitely Agree	22.6 % [19.3 , 26.2]	35.6 % [31.9 , 39.4]
Probably or Definitely Disagree	77.4 % [73.8 , 80.7]	64.4 % [60.6 , 68.1]
"How likely would you be to wear something that has a tobacco company logo or picture on it?"		
Somewhat or Very likely	4.5 % [3.0 , 6.7]	9.5 % [7.4 , 12.0]
Somewhat or Very unlikely	95.5 % [93.3 , 97.0]	90.5 % [88.0 , 92.6]
"How likely would you be to wear something that has an ANTI-tobacco message/logo on it, like a hat or t-shirt?"		
Somewhat or Very likely	61.0 % [57.0 , 64.9]	48.6 % [44.7 , 52.6]
Somewhat or Very unlikely	39.0 % [35.1 , 43.0]	51.4 % [47.4 , 55.3]
"Are there places near your school where people your age get together and smoke?"		
Yes	24.7 % [20.0 , 30.0]	74.1 % [69.1 , 78.5]
No	75.3 % [70.0 , 80.0]	25.9 % [21.5 , 30.9]
"During the last school year did you practice ways to say 'No' to tobacco, for example, in role playing?"		
Yes	72.1 % [67.1 , 76.6]	37.4 % [32.5 , 42.5]
No	27.9 % [23.4 , 32.9]	62.6 % [57.5 , 67.5]

	10-13 Years Old [95% C.I.]	14-17 Years Old [95% C.I.]
"During the last school year, how many times did you receive information in classes about the health hazards and dangers of tobacco use?"		
Once or None	16.0 % [12.4 , 20.4]	38.1 % [33.3 , 43.2]
2-3 times	27.2 % [22.3 , 32.6]	27.0 % [22.5 , 32.0]
4 or more times	56.8 % [51.3 , 62.2]	34.8 % [30.0 , 40.0]
"Did this tobacco education you received during the last year make you think about whether or not you should smoke or use chewing tobacco?" (Among youth who had 1+ days of education)		
Definitely yes	82.9 % [78.3 , 86.7]	69.6 % [64.0 , 74.7]
Probably or Definitely no	17.1 % [13.3 , 21.7]	30.4 % [25.3 , 36.0]
"During the past school year, did you participate in any activities to encourage other youths to say 'No' to tobacco – for example through youth groups, health fairs, or presentations to younger children?"		
Yes	* % [* , *]	23.3 % [19.3 , 28.0]
No	* % [* , *]	76.7 % [72.0 , 80.7]
"Have either of your parents or guardians talked to you about tobacco use?"		
Yes	85.8 % [82.5 , 88.6]	83.5 % [80.3 , 86.3]
No	14.2 % [11.4 , 17.5]	16.5 % [13.7 , 19.7]
"Have your parents specifically told you that they do not want you to use tobacco?"		
Yes	87.8 % [44.1 , 52.1]	79.6 % [47.1 , 55.0]
No	12.2 % [47.9 , 55.9]	20.4 % [45.0 , 52.9]
"During the past 30 days, how often did you see commercials on TV about the dangers of tobacco use or about not smoking?"		
At least once per week	79.7 % [76.2 , 82.7]	82.8 % [79.8 , 85.5]
Less than once per week	20.3 % [17.3 , 23.8]	17.2 % [14.5 , 20.2]
"Have any of the advertisements you've seen made you think about whether or not you should use tobacco?"		
Yes	74.4 % [70.4 , 77.9]	62.3 % [58.4 , 66.1]
No	25.6 % [22.1 , 29.6]	37.7 % [33.9 , 41.6]